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 Hope, Obote

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To: Planning

Subject: FW: From BCAAC - 8 Thanet Street (2015/3338/P and 2015/3909/L)



From: Debbie Radcliffe Sent: 23 August 2015 14:27

To: Hope, Obote **Cc:** Hugh Cullum

Subject: From BCAAC - 8 Thanet Street (2015/3338/P and 2015/3909/L)

Dear Obote

I am writing on behalf of the Bloomsbury Conservation Area Advisory Committee to object to the planning application to erect a single storey extension at lower ground floor level at no 8 Thanet Street. (2015/3338/P and 2015/3909/L)

As a voluntary group, we only meet once a month to assess planning applications, and I note I am writing some time after the final date for comments. This has been delayed further due to my being on holiday. I hope however that our response will be considered, and would welcome acknowledgement of my email. Thank you.

The addition of an extension to rear will cause harm to the conservation area by fundamentally altering the original footprint of the Grade II listed building. Part of the original external wall will be removed to create a new kitchen / dining area.

By extending the building into the garden, it will cause over-development of the site.

By encroaching on the garden there will be a loss of biodiversity.

The roof light to the extension will enable internal noise to impact on the quiet enjoyment of those neighbours who overlook the site.

In the past there have been inappropriate extensions added to the rear of other listed buildings in the Thanet / Judd Street neighbourhood. This is no justification for permitting an extension which will alter the original structure of this early 19th century listed building.

I note from the floor plans that a number of internal alterations are also being proposed. A bathroom will be created within a room on the first floor that is currently a bedroom. This could entail new plumbing

impacting negatively on original features. The plans also show the proposal to remove an existing internal wall on the first floor. There will also be changes to the original stairwell.

As we have not had sight of the interior, it is impossible to comment on whether the proposed alterations will have a negative impact on any original features, but this must be properly checked by the Conservation Officer.

kind regards

Debbie Radcliffe for BCAAC